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Nez Perce settlement concludes with payment of over $8M

(OKLAHOMA CITY) On the morning of March 2, 2017, federal Judge Thomas Hogan, of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, entered a joint stipulation of dismissal between the United States and the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes. The order brought to a close the 10-year-long case that began December 2006, when the Nez Perce tribe and several similarly situated tribal nations (including the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes) filed suit against the United States in the Federal District Court for the District of Columbia.

The tribes sought to hold the United States accountable for mismanaging tribal trust resources, including tribal trust accounts and leases of tribal lands. It seemed an anti-climactic ending to the extraordinary effort of the Obama Administration to acknowledge the Bureau of Indian Affairs' (BIA) responsibility in the mismanagement of tribal trust resources of over 40 tribes, in some cases for over a 100 years.

In November 2006, shortly before the case was filed, the C-A Tribal Council authorized the Native American Rights Fund (NARF) to represent the Cheyenne-Arapaho tribes' interests in the matter for a 10 percent contingency fee, later approving settlement in the amount of $8,396,000.

Internal tribal political strife broke out a short time later, preventing the settlement efforts from moving forward. During that period, the Tribal Council authorized the governor to remove NARF from the case and, when a dispute as to the validity of that removal ensued, the settlement effort languished. As the leadership dispute raged over the next few years, state banks froze millions of dollars of Cheyenne and Arapaho's tribal government funds, the BIA erroneously released three-quarters of a million dollars in per cap funds to an account opened at Citizens Bank of Ada by Leslie Harjo, who refused to transfer the funds to the tribes, and the BIA withheld a lucrative lease approval worth nearly $3 million dollars in additional per cap payments to tribal members.

As Governor Eddie Hamilton explains, "It was a mess when we came into office. The tribes had nearly $7 million dollars in funding we were unable to access for tribal services. We had a federal case against the BIA for releasing funds it shouldn't have and the case was going nowhere. With all the litigation

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Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes Governor Eddie Hamilton and Lt. Governor Cornell Sankey accepts a check totaling $8,396,000. concluding the Nez Perce settlement negotiations. (Submitted photo)

Celebrating Culture - Annual Buffalo Butcher

Above left tribal members begin to remove the hooves.

Below left the process of removing organs and meat from the buffalo begins.

Above Max Bear prepares to make the first cut up the underbelly.

Photos by Latoya Lonelodge / Tribal Tribune

There couldn't have been a nicer day chosen for the annual buffalo butcher than Friday, March 17.

With blue skies and mild temperatures the buffalo butchering began, hosted by the Culture & Heritage Program in collaboration with the Farm & Ranch Program.

Young and old alike took part in the task of butchering the large animal. Beginning with a long cut up the underbelly, everyone set to work removing organs, the hide, identifying and cutting up the cuts of meat and finally severing the head. Each part had a use or prior claim by a tribal member, ranging from the hooves to the hair on the buffalo's head.

For more information on future traditional events, contact the Culture & Heritage Program at 405-422-8267.

Below the younger generation are being taught by their elders how to prepare the meat from the buffalo.

Casinos hosts fundraiser for tribes' emergency youth shelter

Lucky Star Casinos presents a check to the Cheyenne & Arapaho Dept. of Social Services in the amount of $72,139.50 to be used towards renovating the tribes' emergency youth shelter. Pictured l-r: Vanessa Pedro, Hannah Little Coyote, Tracer Hamilton, Governor Eddie Hamilton, acting Social Services Executive Director Andrea Patton, Lt. Governor Cornell Sankey, Jason Goodblanket and Casino General Manager Mannix Barnes.

(Photo by Rosemary Stephens)

(CONCHO-OK) The Lucky Star Casinos General Manager, Mannix Barnes presents the Dept. of Social Services acting Executive Director Andrea Patterson with a check for $72,139.50 on March 22.

The casinos hosted a donation drive where casino patrons could donate $5 and receive $10 in free play for one month.

The emergency youth shelter serves as a temporary home for Cheyenne and Arapaho children who are in tribal custody. The shelter has housed many tribal children while transitioning into foster homes or group homes. In order to better serve the tribal children, Social Services will be remodeling the shelter to give the children a more comfortable and safe environment.

"The shelter is in great need of an update. To help with this project, Lucky Star Casinos conducted a fundraiser, which provided funds to Social Services," Patterson stated. "Social Services plans to completely remodel the emergency youth shelter using the funds collected from Lucky Star Casinos as well as funds that have been set aside for this project in the beginning stages. Our plan consists of many things including painting, installing new light fixtures, redoing the floor, reconstruction of the bathrooms, installing new cabinets and counters, sealing the windows, purchasing new blinds, installing new ceiling fans, replacing doors on the bedrooms, remodeling the bedrooms, installing cameras for safety, purchasing new furniture, purchasing playground equipment, expanding the fence for the privacy of the children, and adjustments to the outside of the building."

Patterson stated the department wanted to ensure that their tribal children are provided with the best care possible and also a safe environment, "We want our children to feel at home and comfortable in the emergency youth shelter."

Social Services extended a thank you to Lucky Star Casinos as well as the patrons of Lucky Star Casinos for making this project possible.

"Our children are our future so it is vital that we provide them with a safe place when needed. It is outstanding that the Lucky Star Casinos came together with programs of the tribes and help whenever possible. As a tribe we must all work together for the betterment of our tribe as a whole, but especially for our children. Again, we thank Lucky Star Casinos for their assistance in this very important project. We could not have done as much if it weren't for the help of our casinos," Patterson said.

Eating healthy, staying active

Cheyenne and Arapaho Youth Day Out a Success

By Latoya Lonelodge, Staff Reporter

Spring Break is a time students get to relax or travel for their short vacation from school but for others, it's an opportunity to get actively involved in healthy education.

On March 15, programs within the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes joined together to create an eventful day full of activities for the youth. Youth Day Out was held at the Watonga Multipurpose Center in Watonga, Okla. Diabetes Wellness, Indian Health Services (IHS), Food Distribution and the Green House Project all collaborated together to offer a fun filled day that included learning to eat healthy.

Stephen Washa with the Green House Project demonstrates how to properly place seeds to Juliana Thomas, 9.

(Photos by Latoya Lonelodge)

"With the Green House Project, they are going to plant jalapenos and cilantro and basil and we will be sending them home with a salsa recipe, so once their plants start producing they can utilize their fruits and vegetables. The IHS program is providing pamphlets and doing a demonstration on how not washing your hands spread germs. The Diabetes Wellness program, with Tara Conway, is playing a game with the kids that have nutritional facts on a beach ball. Our program, the Nutrition Education team is going to be teaching them and showing them how to make home made granola bars out of the food package that the Food Distribution offers," Ricque Richardson, Food Distribution certification clerk, said.

Along with the activities planned for that day, door prizes were given away to students as an appreciation for participation.

"We just really wanted to give them something to come out and enjoy so they're not just sitting at home playing video games, we want them to get out and be active and also try to help them make healthier choices in their eating habits," Richardson said.

As the goal of creating healthier choices highlighted the day, the youth also had comments of their own in appreciation for the day's activities. Isaiah Garcia, 14, from El Reno, Okla., decided to participate during his school's spring break.

Garcia said he enjoyed the planting part of the event the most, "I liked the planting because I grew some jalapenos once but they died because I forgot to take them out of the house and my mom sprayed chemicals around the house."

While appreciating the learning tools that were taught that day, others came to make it a family event. Kierstyn Lehman, 12, attended with her two siblings.

"I liked the table tennis and the plants, I was kind of thrown into this but I had fun," Kierstyn said. Kierstyn said if it were not for attending youth day out, "I'd be at home sleeping."

Kierstyn's sister, Jaryn Lehman, 14, said, "I'd probably just be sitting at home on the couch watching TV."

As far as being productive, the Lehman sisters came to the event in the hopes of staying active with others, as well as having fun at the same time.

"We're just trying to enforce in their minds that there's more variety out there of foods to eat and we hope that they make those choices so that way they're giving their body all the nutrients and everything they need to grow up and be healthy and strong," Richardson said.

With the help of other programs, the youth day out was seen as a success by Richardson, "we just want to thank all the programs that did join with us for today's event."

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MARCH	5,991,768.19	
APRIL	2,977,104.18	
MAY	2,572,224,43	
JUNE	3,432,516.23	
JULY	2,508,535.35	
AUG	2,597,562.26	
SEPT	3,265,443.17	
OCT	2,396,856.33	
NOV	1,785,827.19	
DEC	3,213,534.96	
TOTAL	36,472,174.31	6,157,413.36

Election Commission announces candidate registration information for 2017 Primary and General Elections

(CONCHO-OK) The Cheyenne & Arapaho Election Commission will commence election proceedings for the 2017 Primary and General Elections on May 1, 2017.

The following public offices are open for election in 2017:

Executive Office	District Legislative Office	Election Commission
Governor	Arapaho District 1	Arapaho District 3
Lt. Governor	Arapaho District 2	Arapaho District 4
	Cheyenne District 2	Cheyenne District 1
	Cheyenne District 4	Cheyenne District 3

Nominations for public offices up for election shall open to qualified candidates on **May 1, 2017**

The Election Commission will begin accepting candidate registrations at 8 a.m. Candidate registration packets will be available and may be picked up at the Election Commission Office located in the Education Building in Concho, Okla. beginning May 1, 2017.

Nominations for public offices up for election shall close on **June 1, 2017**.

All interested candidates must submit their completed candidate registration packet, verification of candidate eligibility along with the filing fee to the Election Commission Office by 5 p.m. on June 1, 2017. Detailed information and instructions concerning acceptable forms of verification, filing fees and other requirements for candidate filing will be included with all candidate registration packets at the time of pick up.

The minimum qualifications for Governor and Lieutenant Governor Candidates are as follows:

1) The candidates for Governor and Lt Governor shall be enrolled members of the tribe, at least 35 years old and;

Each possess at least a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited school;

2) No person convicted of a felony within the last ten years shall serve as Governor or Lt. Governor unless pardoned;

3) At time of filing a nomination petition, a candidate for Governor or Lt. Governor shall physically reside in a voting district. The Governor and Lt Governor shall be residents of a voting district for the duration of their terms;

4) A candidate for the Office of Governor and Lt Governor shall submit copies of his or her Federal Income Tax for the previous five years and provide a written list of all of his or her personal and real property; and

5) A candidate for the office of Governor and Lt Governor cannot owe any money or owe any debts to the Tribes.

The minimum qualifications for District Legislative Candidates are as follows:

A candidate for District Legislator shall be an enrolled member of the Tribes, age 25 or older, and shall possess a high school degree or its equivalent;

No person convicted of a felony within the last ten years shall be eligible to serve as a District Legislator unless pardoned;

At time of filing a nomination petition, a candidate for District Legislator shall physically reside and be a registered voter in the district for which he or she seeks elective office; and

A candidate for the Office of District Legislator cannot owe any money or owe any debts to the Tribes.

The minimum qualifications for Election Commission Candidates are as follows:

A candidate for Election Commission Office shall possess at a minimum a high school degree or its equivalent;

No person ever convicted of a felony shall be eligible to serve on the Election Commission.

Election Dates

The Primary Election will be held on Oct. 3, 2017. The General Election will be held Nov. 7, 2017.

Waivers

Waivers of the filing fee may be given upon request if the person meets or falls below the current federal poverty level guidelines and can document such status with their prior year federal income tax return. Waivers must be filed prior to the closing date of candidate registration so a determination can be made.

Terms of Office

The terms of office for all public seats open for election are four year terms. Officials elected this year will begin their terms on Jan. 1, 2018.

Secret of the hidden children – it's really that bad

By Sarah Harmeyer

You've heard it before on the news, Facebook or conversations with friends.

It seems bad or, at least, it should seem bad. The numbers are enormous; it's talked about with such urgency and you can't deny it's a problem. And yet … it's just not convincing.

You glance at the image again and the phrases run through your mind.

"There's such a need for foster parents."

"Our county is in a crisis."

"Children are being placed four hours away because there aren't enough foster homes to take them."

So why doesn't it feel real? Urgent? As desperate as they make it out to be?

You're sure they're not lying about this … and yet, if it's really that bad, where are all the kids?

Why don't you see them? Know about them?

What's up with that?

Your question is valid and needed. This might help.

Do you pay attention to the news? Not the big national stuff, but the local news? You know, the store that opened downtown, the food drive happening at the elementary school, the local arrests for drugs or domestic violence?

That news? Well, that is where the need for foster parents is hiding. It's not broadcast or announced, it can't be, but if you ask yourself one simple question you'll start to see it.

What if there were kids involved?

The arrest for domestic violence.

What if there were kids involved?

The shooting at the 7-11.

What if there were kids involved?

The home raided for drugs.

What if there were kids involved?

The media won't tell you about it, but many times, there are.

There are kids involved.

But the kids are innocent.

And that's why the media isn't covering it.

It's a privacy issue. It isn't their fault their parents were selling drugs. It isn't their fault the grownups in their lives tried to solve problems by beating each other up. It isn't their fault that someone got shot.

It isn't their fault.

And so the kids are protected. The media doesn't tell you there were children removed from the home. It doesn't show the social workers hastily carrying the kids' clothes out in garbage bags. It doesn't follow the screaming child to the social worker's car as he is taken from the only family he's ever known or loved. It doesn't announce the surprise visit to the school where the innocent student learns she can't go home but is instead being escorted to some family she's never met.

And so the need for foster care hides in plain sight. You don't hear about it until you become a foster parent. And then you get calls about 13 children in the course of two weeks. You start to see the situations on the news and realize it's connected to the child in your home.

The arrest for domestic violence on last night's news?

There were kids involved.

The shooting at the 7-11 someone posted on Facebook?

There were kids involved.

The home raided for drugs?

There were kids involved.

Those massive foster care numbers that people always talk about start to pare down to the young people placed with you. They become lives, individuals, in your own community, in your own home.

And you start to realize that this is not some distant problem, it is here. It is now. And you can't stand the idea of kids spending the night in

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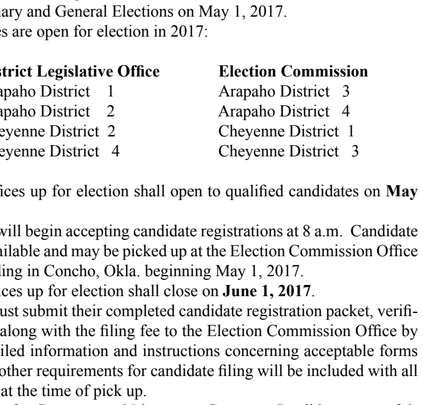
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Native drum maker, Shawn Littlebear completes final drum for head start

Native drum maker Shawn Littlebear presented the first custom made Cheyenne & Arapaho Head Start drum in September 2016 to the Concho Head Start students.

Since then he has been busy completing the drums for the Canton and Clinton Head Start students.

A project Littlebear said he wanted to have complete so all the students at each head start would have their own drum to play and dance around.

Littlebear is one of a handful of traditional drum makers left in Oklahoma. He estimates he has made over 300 large sized drums, some of which have been shipped all over the world including Europe and Japan.

With the completion of his third drum for the Clinton Head Start, Littlebear is now onto his next project … making drums for Johnson O'Malley (JOM) programs in various schools around the state.

Littlebear hosts his own television program on CATV-47 entitled, *The Native Drum*. He also takes orders for drums and can be reached via Facebook at www.facebook.com/The-Native-Drum-309444385915795.

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Election Commission encouraging all tribal citizens to verify voter registration for 2017 elections

(CONCHO-OK) The Cheyenne & Arapaho Election Commission will be publishing each district's voter registration listing. As with every election board/commission, whether it be state or tribal, voter registration lists have to be updated yearly to ensure accuracy. IT IS UP TO THE VOTER TO ENSURE THAT HIS/HER VOTER INFORMATION IS CORRECT AND UP TO DATE.

If you do not see your name under your district's listing you need to register to vote.

If you will be 18 yrs. old by June 1, 2017, you need to register to vote. You need to update your voter registration if your name is listed under the wrong district or your name is incorrect. If receiving an absentee ballot, there must be a current correct address on file.

There will be no provisional ballots accepted during the 2017 election process. It is important your voter registration is correct or you will not be eligible to vote.

All deceased names will be removed by June 1, 2017. Voter registration closes on June 1, 2017 and will not reopen. The final list of voters will be published by June 15, 2017 per the tribal Constitution.

Arapaho District 4 Election Commissioner seat is currently vacant, please contact Election Commission Chairwoman Sarah Orange at 405-637-6036 or 405-422-7619, or email sorange@c-a-tribes.org. Cheyenne District 4 Election Commissioner is Sarah Orange and can be contacted by calling 405-637-6036 or 405-422-7619.

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(Please Call Respective Election Commissioner to VERIFY address is correct)

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Vanessa E., Avans
Victor Edwin, Avans
Wallace Brennan, Avans
Jim J, Black
James Malcolm, Fire Jr
Leslie, Gould
Jack Daniel, Hare
Deedra Kaye, McCallister
Charity J., Meat
Muriel, Pawnee
Robert Henry, Sankey
Winslow, Sankey Jr
Charles Edward, Sweezy
Audrey F., Weeks
Theda Ann, Whiteshirt
Cody Bill, Zimmer

CHEYENNE DISTRICT 4 LIST OF REGISTERED VOTERS

(Please Call Respective Election Commissioner to VERIFY address is correct)

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Shirley Mae, Alvarado
Rosemary, Armendariz
Shirley Ann, Armstrong
Jamie Leigh, Baggett
Lila Jeanne, Baker-Higgins
Jeremy Chad, Bastianelli
Cornelius Albert, Bates
Tabitha Lynn, Battiest
Russell Pete, Bear Bow
Cody Randolph, Bearshield
Ruth Ann, Bearshield
William George, Bearshield
Catherine, Bell
Mellisa, Bidwell
Marla, Big Horse
Morrow, Big Horse
Angie Yvonne, Bigfoot
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Elaine, Bird
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Patrick James, Hamilton
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April Emma, Hart
Eugene Randolph, Hart
Henry Lawrence, Hart
Jennifer Lynn, Hart
John Keith, Hart
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Michael Dean, Hart
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Nez Perce settlement

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between the two prior administrations and the BIA, the Bureau of Indian Affairs was slow to recognize my authority. We had real difficulty convincing officials at the Interior, the Solicitor's office, and the Department of Justice to move forward with the Nez Perce case, but it was a priority for my administration to finalize the settlement."

Achieving that priority proved to be a monumental, multi-year effort. First, the Interior Board of Indian Appeals began issuing decisions in the tribes' favor, recognizing the legitimacy of the tribes' court and reversing the BIA's prior interference, rejecting claims of the existence or legitimacy of an alternative un-elected Flyingman government, and authorizing federal funding and oversight by the Hamilton Administration.

Next, following several months of intense negotiations, Hamilton's team secured the release of $6,598,695.90 in tribal government services funds frozen by First Bank & Trust in Clinton, Okla. during the internal tribal dispute.

Third, Hamilton set his sights on return of the $760,225.00 erroneously diverted to Harjo. For a significant period, Hamilton's team worked through various changing attorneys for Harjo to seek voluntary release of the funds to the tribes. Once it became clear that Harjo would not cooperate and the Court of Federal Claims suit against the BIA for giving Harjo the tribal per cap monies was going to move slowly, Hamilton sued the bank and Harjo directly. On Aug. 26, 2016, the Federal District Court in Oklahoma City ordered the monies released to the tribes, finding no legitimate claim by Harjo to keep the funds from tribal members any longer.

That court victory laid the groundwork for successful settlement of the related Court of Federal Claims suit against the BIA. The tribes, having done what the BIA was unwilling or unable to do, i.e., retrieve the per cap funds wrongly delivered to Harjo, insisted that the United States should pay the tribes for their efforts to retrieve the funds. The United States eventually agreed to pay the tribes $152,000 for costs associated with recovering the diverted funds.

During this period, Hamilton's team also pressed hard for BIA officials to authorize approval of an oil and gas lease which it had originally been reluctant to grant. Over time, the Executive Branch convinced federal officials that, unlike the prior period of tribal government turmoil, administration of the tribal government was stable and sound, and Hamilton possessed the authority as governor to be recognized as such. As a result, Hamilton secured the BIA's approval of a tribal oil and gas lease with a $2,996,115 bonus payment during a period when the market had taken a downward turn. With the BIA's approval of the lease, the tribes no longer needed language to carve the lease dispute out of the Nez Perce settlement, clearing another hurdle in those negotiations.

By Fall 2016, once the underbrush was cleared away, efforts to finalize the Nez Perce settlement renewed on both sides.

"We first thought we would be able to complete the settlement at the end of 2015, but the BIA asked for more time to authorize the oil and gas lease approval. During that delay, we wrapped up the Harjo litigation and negotiated the Court of Federal Claims settlement. In October, just as we were preparing to finalize the settlement for the necessary federal sign offs, the BIA threatened to pull the plug. Jennifer Wilkinson, Tribal Council Coordinator, had filed a rash of bogus lawsuits against me in tribal court and her supporters apparently gave copies to the local BIA. As a result, the folks in Washington pulled back. The coordinator, and whoever was working with her, wanted to undermine me and destabilize the tribal government so badly that they were willing to put millions of dollars owed to our tribes and tribal members at risk," Hamilton stated.

In addition to the over $8 million received from the Nez Perce settlement, the tribes were also awarded reimbursement of $152,000. for funds spent attempting to recoup funds released to Leslie Harjo by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. (Submitted photo)

Over the course of the next few months, the tribal court cases against Hamilton were dismissed and the Executive Branch team was able to complete its efforts with the U.S. Department of Justice and federal officials to approve the Nez Perce settlement. They also negotiated an $89,000 reduction in fees owed to the Native American Rights Fund ("NARF") under the Tribal Council's old agreement. In the end, the tribes secured the release of tribal funds, obtained approval of a large lease bonus payment and settled related lawsuits, to the tune of more than $12 million dollars.

As he recounted the events leading to the tribes' recent receipt of the multi-million-dollar pay out, Hamilton reflected, "I knew this would not be easy. I knew there would be people who would not want to see us succeed, that would not want to see us overcome the internal disputes of the past. I am amazed by how much some of them were willing to act against their own interests, against the interests of the tribes, to try to keep that mess going. But we kept the faith, I stuck to my priorities and we kept fighting for the good of the people. Even though it was tough, we did it … we overcame everything the naysayers and the BIA threw at us … we won these battles. We've also been working hard on another difficult battle to address an issue of our recent past, and I'm just as committed to seeing it resolved in the tribes' favor as well. I think we've shown the tribal members that we are a strong and stable presence in tribal government and will be able to focus less on cleaning up other peoples' messes, and more on building our infrastructure and expanding our tribal economy and tax base with hotels and other economic development to secure a brighter future for all of us."

Hidden children

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a social worker's office because there is nowhere for them to go.

This is the need.

Your own local news means a child near you is in need of a foster home. So what can you do about it?

Maybe it's not much. Maybe right now, all you can do is share this story and pray.

That's okay.

Do not feel bad about that. You know what is good for you and your situation.

But if you've been asking where all the children are, it tells me you care. And now you get it. You realize the reality of your very own community. So, if you are able to do something, here are some suggestions.

Share this story so others are aware too.

Find out who in your life is already fostering. You might be surprised, since this is something foster parents don't often post about. Put the question out there on your social media networks, then, let your friends know you want to support them the next time a child enters their home.

Bring your friend a meal or two the next time a kiddo arrives (and paper plates). Don't ask if she needs this just bring it. Ask her when they eat dinner, what they eat, and then tell her you'll bring the requested item 30 minutes before dinner on a specific date. This is huge.

If you can't do the above, call a local restaurant that provides delivery service and order a meal to arrive at your friends' place 30 minutes before their normal dinnertime. They will thank you.

Pick up your friend's laundry, wash, fold and return it to her.

Run to the grocery store for her.

Babysit her other children so she can take the foster child to all the first week medical appointments required.

Get a list of all the things the child didn't come with and run to the store for those items.

Attend classes at the local DHS offices to find out what this 'foster care thing' is all about.

Get licensed for "respite" (which really just means caring for a foster child for a week or less).

Continue to ask foster parents what you can do to support them. The needs of their children change frequently. Many times those needs are not something you can help with but continuing to ask is encouragement in itself. Plus, the more you ask, the more they trust that you really do want to help. And the more willing they will be to call you when they do have a need you can help with.

For more information about becoming a Foster Parent call 405-422-7592
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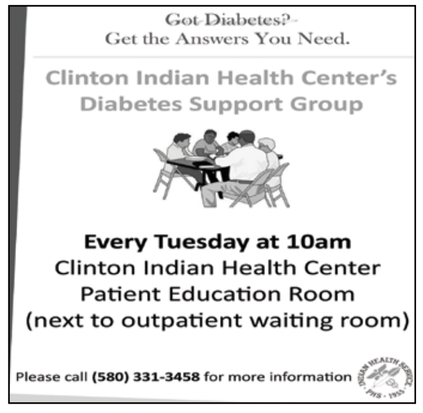
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Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes' announce Summer Youth Work Program 2017

The Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes' Employment and Training Administration (ETA) staff is preparing for this summer's employment and training program. Summer Youth 2017 will have two sessions this year, with the first session June 5 – 30, 2017 and the second session July 10 – Aug. 4, 2017.

Native American youth ages 14-24, residing within the Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes' eight county service areas are eligible to apply. These counties include Beckman, Blaine, Canadian, Custer, Dewey, Kingfisher, Roger Mills and Washita. If selected for participation, the youth will earn a minimum wage of $9 per hour.

Youth participants will work four weeks Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Participants will be paid every Thursday, with the first session's first pay period beginning June 15, 2017 and the second session's first pay period beginning July 20, 2017.

Basic requirements include:

Youth must be enrolled with a federally recognized tribe and must provide a tribal identification card or a CDIB.

Youth must be a resident of service area for 30 days prior to date of application.

Youth must be income-eligible.

Applications are now available at the ETA office located in the annex building next to the main Tribal Complex in Concho, Okla. Office hours are 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For more information or for an application call 405-422-7494 or toll free 800-247-4612, ext. 27494.

Don't wait! Call now! Deadline to submit an application for Summer 2017 program is May 19, 2017.

BRIEFS AT A GLANCE

NIGA Indian Gaming Tradeshow and Convention

April 10-13, 2017 at the San Diego Convention Center in San Diego, Calif. For more information or to register visit www.ncai.org.

The ninth annual Tribal Public Health Conference - Public Health Evolution in Indian Country

April 12-13, 2017 at the River Spirit Casino & Resort in Tulsa, Okla. For more information or to register visit www.phcinfo@spthb.org.

The 2017 Tribal Self-Governance annual Consultation Conference

April 23-27, 2017 at the Spokane Convention Center in Spokane, Wash. For more information or to register visit www.tribalselfgov.org.

NAFOA 35th annual Spring Conference

April 24-25, 2017 at the Hilton Union Square in San Francisco, Calif. Economic and financial issues facing Indian Country. For more information or to register email Michelle Taunton at michelle@nafoa.org.

The 2017 Leadership Summit

April 27-29, 2017 at the wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino in Chandler, Ariz. For more information or to register visit www.summit.aises.org.

The first Native American Al-Anon Conference

May 4-7. 2017 at the Nativo Lodge in Albuquerque, N.M. For more information or to register visit www.wellbriety.com.

Tribal Law Enforcement Executive Symposium, "Breaking Down Tribal Jurisdictional Walls"

May 10-11, 2017 at the Kah-Nee-Ta Resort in Warm Springs, OR. For more information or to register visit www.ncai.org.

2017 National Tribal Public Health Summit

June 6-8, 2017 at the Dena'ina Center in Anchorage, Alaska. For more information or to register visit www.nihb.org.

The 2017 National Congress of American Indans Mid-Year Conference & Marketplace

June 12-15, 2017 at the Mohegan Sun Resort in Uncasville, CT. For more information or to register visit www.ncai.org.

Indirect Costs Basics for Tribal Organizations

June 22-23, 2017 in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

The 2017 AMERIND/ National American Indian Housing Council's annual Convention & Trade Show

June 26-29, 2017 at the Nashville Music City Center in Nashville, Tenn. For more information or to register visit www.naihc.net.

2017 National UNITY Conference

July 6-10, 2017 at the Colorado Convention Center in Denver, Colo. For more information or to register visit www.unityinc.org.

EATING healthy for DIABETES

Tara Conway, MS, RD, LD, CDE
C&A Diabetes Wellness Program

March Is National Nutrition Month

Cow's Milk vs Plant Based Milk

Consumers are looking for low calorie low-sugar, lactose free alternatives for milk. There are many options of plant based milk to choose from such as soy, oat, rice, almond, coconut, and hemp. Plant based alternatives can be a saving grace for many people with food allergies or lactose intolerance or for those who follow vegan diets. Some people are looking for new products with attributes that promise to improve health and wellness.

Do you have lactose intolerance? To be sure you need to consult with your health care provider who can provide tests to ensure that you are lactose intolerant. You may think you are lactose intolerant, however you could be allergic to cow's milk or have irritable bowel syndrome or another GI issue you may need treatment for.

There is a general perception that plant based milk is healthier than cow's milk and taste better. The nutrition profile of each milk substitute varies widely. People counting calories might each for almond milk, which has less than half the calories of a glass of skim milk, and no sugar. Those who want to boost protein may choose soy milk, which has just as much protein as cow's milk at 8 grams per servings.

While many of the plant based milks are fortified, some don't contain as much calcium or vitamin D as cow's milk, which is important in preventing osteoporosis. You should supplement your diet with foods that are packed with calcium and vitamin D like cottage cheese, kale, chia seeds, edamame and sardines. Certain types of almond milk contain as much as six grams of protein and contains only one gram of protein per one cup serving.

Remember it is important that all foods and beverages you consume should be of the best nutritional value possible. To make the best and most nutrition choices read labels and learn about the foods you consume for change that will last a lifetime.

NYPD Camp is around the corner, June 12-16, 2017, space is limited to 10 participants. CALL NOW FOR AN APPLICATION.

For more information and tips on eating contact Conway at the Diabetes Wellness Program 405-422-7685 or email tconway@c-a-tribes.org.

Source: www.plant based resources.org; www.washingtonpost.com/news.

Clinton Service Unit

DIABETES EDUCATION PROGRAM

CONTROL YOUR DIABETES FOR LIFE

The Clinton Indian Health Center Diabetes Education team will help you make sense of diabetes, with classes and personal consultations designed to meet your needs and help you learn how to manage your diabetes. The program offers comprehensive diabetes education/self-management training to adults (and their families) with Type 2 Diabetes. Each individual participates in a needs assessment with an individualized education/self-management training plan developed by the patient—nurse / dietitian—provider team.

Education and self-management training are offered in all aspects of diabetes self-care, including: diabetes disease process, nutrition, physical activity, medications (pills and insulin), monitoring, preventing complications, and lifestyle changes.

2017 Diabetes Education Schedule

Six-Week/One-Hour Course Tuesdays from 1 to 2 pm		One-Day/Six-Hour Course 10 am to 4 pm	
March 28th to May 2nd		April 26th	May 24th
May 16th to June 27th		June 28th	July 26th
July 11th to August 15th		August 23rd	September 27th
August 29th to October 3rd		October 25th	November 15th
October 17th to November 21st		December 13th	

For questions, please call 580.331.3458

Department of Housing Waiting List Report Mutual Help Program ACTION REQUIRED

The following applicants need to complete a 2017 UPDATE FORM by **April 14, 2017**. If an update form is not received by this date, they will be removed from the Mutual-Help waiting list for **FAILURE TO UPDATE. NO EXCEPTIONS!!**

For questions or more information please contact Eileen Salcido at 580-331-2400.

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NOTICE TO ALL DISABLED INDIVIDUALS

To all person with disabilities living in the following counties: Beckham, Blaine, Canadian, Custer, Dewey, Kingfisher, Major, Roger Mills, Washita, Woodward and Ellis county. The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Vocational Rehabilitation program will open for review the policies of the program.

This policy review will take place 10 a.m. - 12 noon, April 20, 2017 in the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Annex Building Room 239, 100 Red Moon Circle, Concho, OK 73022. (Located next door to the main tribal complex.) For more information or questions, please call toll free 888-284-7725, ext. 27617 or 405-422-7617.

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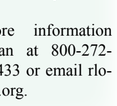

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POWWOWS DANCES EVENTS CALENDAR

Graduation Honor Dance for Sylvana Levier-Jessepe

April 1, 2017 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla.

Gourd dance at 2 p.m., supper at 5 p.m. and dance to follow.

MC Alan Fletcher and Burl Buffalomeat, HS Roger Davis, HMD Deswood Koshiway, HLD Bobbie Ann Hamilton, HLBD Harding Levi, HLGD Cayden Little Coyote, AD Roy Bates, Host Red Moon Gourd Clan, Honored Chief Moses Starr

Flag of the late Joe Jessepe, US Army and Viet-Nam veteran will be flown. Joe is the grandfather of Sylvana.

Sponsored by Elk River-Whiteskunk Sisters. For more information call Rose at 785-966-2670 or Carol at 580-819-2941.

Graduation Honor Dance for Seth Youngbird

April 1, 2017 at the Watonga Multi-Purpose building in Watonga, Okla. Supper at 5 p.m. with dance to follow.

MC Nathan Littlehawk, HS Jason Goodblanket, HMD Lorenzo 'Bo' Beard, HLD Amy Pineda, HLB Jeffrey Whiteshirt (11), HLG Tina Mae Ortiz (11), AD Cato Red Hat, Honored Veteran Trevor Aguilar, US Army, Honored Elder Norma Riggles and Co-Host Scraper Family of Watonga.

Barefoot Powwow Benefit Dance

April 1, 2017 at the Geary Community Center in Geary, Okla. Gourd dancing begins at 5 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m. Funniest joke contest, hat dance and shawl dance.

MC TBA, HS Aaron Jones, HM Merlin LittleThunder, HL Roni Allen, HLB Jayden Plentybears, HLG Audrina Greeley, AD Ralph Birdshead, Honored Veteran James Blackbear Jr.

The 11th annual Oklahoma City University Spring Contest Powwow

April 1, 2017 at the Freede Wellness Center, NW 27th Street and Florida Avenue in Oklahoma City. Free admission, doors open at noon.

Cheyenne & Arapaho Land Buy Back Hammon Community Outreach

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. April 5, 2017 at the Hammon Community Center, 801 Dunn Street in Hammon, Okla.

For more information call 405-422-7403.

Oklahoma Indian Legal Services, Inc. Free Wills & Estate Clinic

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. April 7, 2017 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. Please call for details and appointment at 405-943-6457.

2017 Inter-Tribal Language Summit - Breaking the Inhibitions

April 12-13, 2017 at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Okla. For more information visit www.fivecivilizedtribes.org.

Oklahoma Indian Nations Powwow Committee Benefit Dance

April 15, 2017 at the Darling School gym El Reno, Okla.

MC Virgil Franklin, HS Guy Hicks III, HMD Mike Pierson, HLD Winona Youngbird, HLB Bryce Longknife, HLG Presley Wilson, AD Richard Pedro and Honored Elder Mary Lou Stevens.

Graduation Dance for Benjamin Spottedwolf

April 15, 2017 at the Clinton Community Center in Clinton, Okla. Gourd dancing at 3 p.m., supper at 5 p.m. with evening session to follow.

MC Burl Buffalomeat, HS Mike Pawnee, HMD Sonny Redshin, HLD Hannah Little Coyote, HLB Jakobe White Shirt, HLG Kynlee Hart, AD Isaac Rhoads, Special guest Evelyn Reyes, OK Indian Bikers Club Princess and Host Red Moon Gourd Clan.

For more information call Patrice Spottedwolf at 405-541-6435 or Anna Spottedwolf at 580-309-4947.

Memorial Dance for Irene Roberta Hamilton and Retired Lt. Col. Ralph Leland Dru, M.D.

April 22, 2017 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. Painting ceremony begins at 1 p.m., dinner served at 5 p.m. Special invitation to the Elk Society.

MC Eddie Wilson and Albert Old Crow, HMD Darrell Flyingman, HLD Dee Gould, HS Jason Goodblanket, AD Red Stone Calf, Honored Elder Ruby Blue DeRosset, Honored Boy Chief Harding Levi.

Frontier Inter-Tribal Youth Council annual Spring Powwow

1 p.m.-8 p.m. April 23, 2017 at the Frontier Public School's Lower Gymnasium in Red Rock, Okla.

Gourd dancing at 1 p.m., potluck dinner at 4 p.m. with exhibition dancing and cake walk at 5 p.m.

MC Frank Carson, HS John Arkeketa, HLD Tristan Roubedeaux, HGD Noah Buffalohead, AD Ron Plumley, Waterboy Thomas Primeaux.

Vendors welcomed. For more information contact Alison Black at 580-830-6600 or Velda Rocha at 580-362-6435.

Graduation Dance for Ahk-ta-na-hi Goodblanket

April 29, 2017 at the Clinton Community Center in Clinton, Okla. Dinner at 5 p.m. with dance to follow.

MC Burl Buffalomeat, HS Creg Hart, HL Hannah LittleCoyote, HM Heartsill Sweezy, HLG Amariah Beaver Ramirez, HLB Angel Zamora, AD Roy Bates and Honored Elder Margie Pewo.

Benefit Dance for Ryan Gambler Jr. - 2017 Northern Arapaho Sun Dance Sponsor

May 6, 2017 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. Gourd dancing begins at 3 p.m., supper at 5 p.m.

MC Willie Bullcoming, HS Eugene Mosqueda, HMD Chauncy Sutton, HLD Amy Peneda, Honored Elder Mary Lou Stevens, Honored Chief Scotty Sankey, HTGD Mya Guzman, Co-Hosts Red Moon Gourd Clan and AD Billy Youngbird.

For more information call 405-698-7599 or 405-650-8636.

Comanche Little Ponies 49th annual Celebration

May 13, 2017 at the Comanche County Fairgrounds Expo Center in Lawton, Okla. Program begins at 12 noon.

MC Wallace Coffey, HS Berky Monoessy, HGD Easton Yellowfish, HLD Kimberly DeJesus, HWD Frank Swift, Host and Drum Young Buffalo Horse, AD Travis Codynah and Larney Silverhorn and Co-Host Cheyenne & Arapaho Red Moon Gourd Club.

For more vendor booth information call 405-341-7874.

Tunica-Biloxi 22nd annual Powwow

May 20-21, 2017 at the Earl J. Barbry Sr. Convention Center, Mari Showroom, Paragon Casino Resort in Marksville, LA.

Contest registration is 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Saturday, May 20 in the Mari Showroom lobby. Contest points begin at 1 p.m. Grand Entry on Saturday.

For more information contact Ryan at 800-272-9767 ext. 6433 or email rlopez@tunica.org.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

"Look who's 21!"
April 3rd,
My last baby
"Donovan Osage Jr."
Happy Birthday from your Dad!

Happy Birthday Dominic Chase Washington!!!
March 31st
So proud of all your accomplishments you have made in school and wish the best in law school!!
Grandma Quoint loves you so much!!!

April 4th
Happy Birthday to my sweet daughter Lauren, we love you very much.
dad, Stephanie, Kynadee and Michelle

Happy Birthday to my dear sisters
Roni Allen "cow-eyes"
March 20
Resi Allen Hampton
'Recipe"
March 11
Thank you for all the memories that we have shared together and may we have many more. Thank you both for being my sisters. I wouldn't have it any other way. I love and miss you girls. I'll be home soon!
Happy Birthday, with love, your brother Jay.

Thank You

The family of Lonnie Williams would like to express their gratitude for the monetary donations received from friends, family and co-workers from the Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes. We would like to thank friends and family that brought food, giveaway items and the many prayers for his family. We would like to thank Lucky Star Casino for the flowers and many others that sent flowers. We want to thank all of our son's friends for being there with us during our son's most critical time in the hospital and when we had his funeral services.

Our son Lonnie fought for his life as long as he could, his heart was just not strong enough. We will always have a place in our hearts for our son and will cherish the memories we have. Lonnie made us laugh. We know he would want us to be happy and not sad. We will see our son again not here on earth, but in Heaven. From Leonard & Francine Williams and Family.

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Time for another Watch & Taste Demo!!
Come join the Nutrition Education Team on Wednesday, April 26th @ 12:30 pm when we will be making Chicken Taquitos. We will also be giving away a Pioneer Woman cook set. Can't wait to see you there!!!

THE INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

BREAKING THE INHIBITIONS

2017 Inter-Tribal Language Summit

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*Keynote Luncheon is a ticketed event; $20 per person (includes BBQ Buffet)

Agenda & Registration Form can be found online at: www.fivecivilizedtribes.org

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM
April 2017

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OFFICE HOURS: 8AM to 5PM
STORE HOURS: 9AM to 3PM
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Garlic Bean Soup

Ingredients
3 cups great northern beans (*cooked*)
2 cups onion (*chopped*)
1/2 cup celery (*chopped*)
2 teaspoons garlic powder
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
2 cans chicken broth (*about 14 ounces each*)
1 can carrots (*sliced and undrained, about 15 ounces*)
1/2 teaspoon pepper

Directions
In a large skillet, cook the onion, celery, and garlic in vegetable oil for 3 to 4 minutes on medium heat.

Add chicken broth and beans; heat to boiling.

Reduce heat and simmer until celery is tender, about 6 minutes.

Add canned carrots and pepper and heat another 2 minutes.

EMPLOYMENT

Employment: Submit a tribal application, resume, diploma(s), transcripts, valid copy of Oklahoma state driver's license and a copy of CDIB (if applidable) to Personnel Department, PO Box 38, Concho, OK 73022 or email atisdale@c-a-tribes.org.

COORDINATOR
Indian Child Welfare Program
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Master's degree in social work or related field preferred or an equivalent combination of education and experience. Must have ability to work with high number of clients and work as efficiently as possible. Ability to work flexible hours, willing to work other than normal working hours, weekends, and holidays as needed. Must have knowledge of crisis theory and interventions. Must understand the program's goals, objectives, rules and regulations. Possess communication skills, written and oral, to relate to Indian and non-Indian communities, other agencies and the general public. Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality on all client matters and other matters protected by the Privacy Act as well as other confidential regulations. OSBI and criminal background check required and be adjudicated appropriately. Must posses a current Oklahoma driver's license to operate a government owned vehicle. Prefer knowledge of Cheyenne and Arapaho cultures and values. Ability to work with difficult clientele.

SALARY: Negotiable

Admin. Services Coordinator
Housing Authority
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Knowledge of policies and procedures of the Housing Authority. Knowledge of HUD programs, the administration thereof and ability to keep abreast of changes in the regulations governing HUD funded programs. Knowledge of the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act.Knowledge of governmental laws, rules and regulations governing accounting activities. Knowledge of the MHOA and the ability to administer one to the participants and/or applicants. Knowledge and experience in the general operation and procedures of a housing authority and of the duties of all employees and the ability to give directions to employees in completing their duties properly. Ability to plan and execute an audit of financial data or organizational effectiveness. Ability to organize, analyze and interpret financial and management data to solve management, accounting, and taxation problems.Ability to deal tactfully, effectively, and equitably with people. Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing. Ability to read, analyze and interpret general business periodicals, professional journals, technical procedures or governmental regulations. Ability to write reports, correspondence and procedure manuals. Ability to effectively present information and respond to questions from groups of managers, residents, clients, and the general public. Ability to solve practical problems and deal with a variety of concrete variables in situations where only limited standardization exists.

SALARY: Negotiable

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Dept. of Social Services
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Completion of Master's Degree of Social Work and demonstrated basic professional competence in the techniques, methods, theory and practice of social work. Must possess a working knowledge and understanding gained through graduate and study and supervised work of case work, group work and/or community organization practice and the skill to apply these factors to department clientele. Knowledge of various laws related to the administration of the department programs including but not limited to the Indian Child Welfare Act, HIPPA, recommendations for actions that can have significant on clients. Ability to prioritize, manage and complete multiple tasks and responsibilities wherein time management and delegation skills must be solid. Knowledge of tribal and community resources in order to refer clients to the most appropriate source of assistance. Possess communication skills, written and oral, to relate to Indian and non-Indian communities, other agencies and the general public. Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality on all client matters and other matters protected by the Privacy Act as well as other confidentiality regulations. OSBI and criminal background check required and be adjudicated appropriately. Must possess a current Oklahoma driver's license to operate a government owned vehicle. Prefer knowledge of Cheyenne and Arapaho/Native American cultures and values. Ability to work with difficult clientele with various social problems and/or needs.

SALARY: Negotiable

TEACHER
Child Development / Clinton Location
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Teachers hired after July 1, 1995 are required to be at least 18 years of age, have a high school diploma or GED certification or have completed the 10th grade and be in the process of obtaining a GED for a period not to exceed 12 months. Must sign employee contract stating employee will attain CDA or Mastery Certification to maintain employment. Must have a valid Oklahoma driver's license and pass physical exam. Must be able to lift 50lbs., be physically fit to work daily with children and demonstrate basic knowledge of early childhood development. Must attend staff meetings as well as parent meetings when require, submit monthly reports, attend workshops and have adequate transportation. Must have skills to relate to the community in general. Must pass a criminal background check, mandatory drug and alcohol screen and be willing to work flexible work schedule. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

CASEWORKER
Indian Child Welfare Office
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Prefer bachelor's degree in social work or related field or an equivalent combination of education and experience. Require one year of experience in professional related capacity. Knowledge and an understanding of the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978. Ability to work flexible hours and willing to work other than normal working hours including weekends, holidays and after 5 p.m. Must have knowledge of crisis theory and interventions, understand and strive to implement the program's goals, objectives, rules and regulations. Must have basic knowledge of early childhood education and child welfare casework, child abuse and neglect indicators. Possess communication skills, written and oral, to relate to Indian and non-Indian communities, other agencies and the general public. Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality on all client matters and other matters protected by the Privacy Act as well as other confidentiality regulations. OSBI and criminal background check required and be adjudicated appropriately. Must possess a current Oklahoma driver's license to operate a government owned vehicle. Prefer knowledge of Cheyenne and Arapaho /Native American cultures and values. Ability to work with difficult clientele. Must complete OKDHS Criminal History Review and supplemental application. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Transit Driver II/On Call
Roads/Tribal Transit
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Valid Oklahoma Class D driver's license. Must possess or be willing to obtain CPR certification. Transit frivers must pass a pre-employment drug screening process and subject to random drug testing. Must be able to lift a minimum of 50 lbs. with no physical barriers. Must be able to communicate effectively to patrons and supervisors any findings or incidents. High school diploma or GED equivalent. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
Dept. of Treasury
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Completion of a bachelor's degree at an accredited college or university in accounting, management, finance or business or completion of a master's degree at an accredited college or university in accounting, management, finance or business and/or equivalent work experience. CPA-Certified Public Accountant experience required with a minimum of two year's experience.

SALARY: Negotiable

Environmental Outreach/ Community Clean Up Event
April 21, 2017
Clinton Community Center
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Lunch: potluck

LAND Buy - Back Program for TRIBAL NATIONS

ATTENTION:
Any Native land owners within the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal land base interested in the Land Buy Back Program please contact us at 405-422-7403 or by email calm@c-a-tribes.org.
Fax number is 405-422-8254.
Ask about our upcoming informational events. Find ore updates on the Cheyenne & Arapaho Facebook page and Land Management Facebook @calmo16.

OKLAHOMA INDIAN LEGAL SERVICES, INC.

Will be conducting a Free Wills & Estate Clinic For Low Income Tribal Members who are Residents of Oklahoma and have Tribal Land

10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Friday April 7
Cheyenne & Arapaho Community Hall
2100 Dog Patch Rd. Clinton, OK 73601

Please call for details Mon. thru Thurs. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. ***You must have an appointment to see an attorney.*** *If you are unable to make your appointment, please call Norma @ 405-943-6457.*

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LEGAL NOTICES

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA FILED MAR 15 2017 IN THE TRIAL COURT DOCKET PAGE FILM IMAGE COURT CLERK DEPUTY

IN THE DISTRICT COURT
CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022

In The Matter Of The Guardianship Of:
M.K.Q.K. DOB: 7/7/04
P.S.H. DOB: 1/19/02
H.M.K. DOB: 7/17/07
B.K.G. DOB: 7/16/09
Minor Children Under The Age Of 18 Years

Case No. PG-2017-16

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes to: ELIZABETH MARIE SURVEYOR HARRISON AKA ELIZABETH LILLIE JUNE HARRISON FLUTE, CURTIS QUINN KAULITY, JR., JOHNATHON HAAG

You are hereby notified that Alissa Mikah Nicole Rogers-Kaulity have filed in this Court a Petition For Guardianship of the persons and estates of M.K.Q.K., DOB: 7/7/04; P.S.H., DOB: 1/19/02; H.M.K., DOB: 7/17/07 and B.K.G., 7/16/09 minor children and that said Petition is hereby set for a hearing in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the 3rd day of MAY, 2017 at 10:40 A.M., at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said guardianship should not be grated.

Dated this 15TH day of MARCH, 2017.

Rebekah Trojan, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne-Arapaho District Court

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA FILED MAR 15 2017 IN THE TRIAL COURT DOCKET PAGE FILM IMAGE COURT CLERK DEPUTY

IN THE TRIAL COURT
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022

In The Matter Of The Guardianship Of:
MARTHA REDBIRD
DOB: 10-4-1936
ROLL# 2801A02500
An Alleged Incapacited Person

Case No. PG-2017-0017

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: Jerri Mae Chavez

You are hereby notified that Martha Looney have filed in this Court a Petition For Appointment Of Guardianship of the person and/or estate of Martha Redbird, DOB: 10-4-1936, ROLL # 2801A02500 and alleged incapacitated person and that on March 15, 2017, the petitioner, Martha Looney was granted Temporary Emergency Guardianship and that said Petition is hereby set for a hearing in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the 5TH day of APRIL, 2017 at 10:00 A.M., at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said guardianship should not be granted.

Dated this 15th day of MARCH, 2017,

Desirae' Barnes, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court

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IN THE TRIAL COURT
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022

In The Matter Of The Guardianship Of:
B.L.R. DOB: 11/23/04
A Minor Child,

Case No. PG-2017-18

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: CECILIA CRAWFORD

You are hereby notified that Julia Rhoads has filed in this Court a Petition For Appointment Of Guardianship of the person and/or estate of B.L.R. minor child, and that on 21st day of MARCH, 2017, the Petitioner, JULIA RHOADS was granted Temporary Emergency Guardianship of the minor child, and that said Petition is hereby set for a Hearing to be heard in the Court room of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the 12TH day of APRIL, 2017 at 10:00 A.M., at which time you may appear and show cause why said Guardianship should not be granted.

Dated this 21st day of MARCH, 2017.

Rebekah Trojan, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA FILED MAR - 7 2017 IN THE TRIAL COURT DOCKET PAGE FILM IMAGE COURT CLERK DEPUTY

IN THE TRIAL COURT FOR THE
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
JUVENILE DIVISION
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO , OKLAHOMA 73022

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes
In the Interest of:
A. E. B.
DOB: 03-18-2015
Alleged Dependent Child.
And Concerning:
Omari B. Hoston, Respondent Father

Case No. JFJ-2015-6002

ALIAS SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: Omari B. Hoston

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Amended Motion for Termination of Parental Rights of Father has been filed in the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Trial Court, Juvenile Division, alleging that the above named minor child is a neglected or dependent child as to her father, Omari B. Hoston, and that said father has failed to correct the conditions of neglect or dependency and that the child has been abandoned by her father, and requesting the Court to terminate the parent-child legal relationship between the child and her natural father, Omari Bernard Hoston, all as more fully set out in the amended motion filed in said cause.

YOU ARE THEREFORE ORDERED TO APPEAR at the Courtroom of the Tribal District Court, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the **18th** day of **April, 2017,** at the hour of **9:30** o'clock **a.m.,** and to remain and answer the allegations contained in the Amended Motion for Termination of Parental Rights of Father and state whether you admit or deny the allegations of the motion.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Court will hear evidence in support of and in opposition to the granting of said Amended Motion at the time and place above shown. You have the right to be present, to be represented by counsel, and an opportunity to be heard at said time and place, including the right to deny the allegations contained in the Amended Motion and the right to object to the granting of the Amended Motion and to show why your parental rights to said minor child should not be terminated. Your failure to appear at said hearing shall constitute a denial of your interest in the child, which denial may result, without further notice of this proceeding or any subsequent proceedings, in an order of the Court terminating your parental rights to said child in accordance with law.

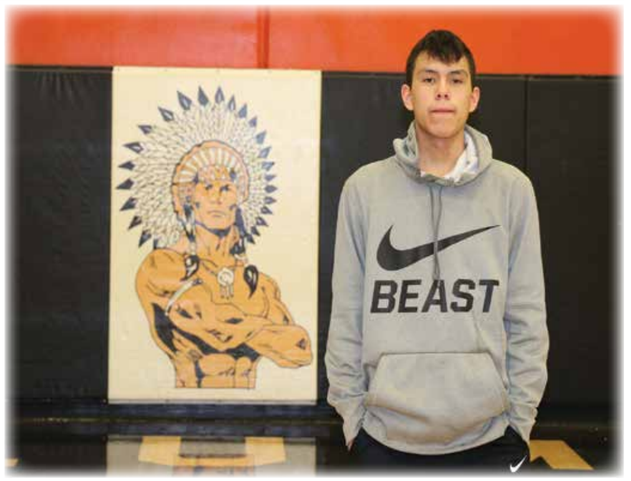
Dated this 7th day of March, 2017.

Edwina Whitehorse, Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court
Juvenile Division
By: Rebekah Trojan

Albert Ghezzi, Attorney General
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes
P.O. Box 32
Concho, Oklahoma 73022
(405) 422-7455 or 425-9242

ATHLETE'S SPOTLIGHT

Interview & photo by Latoya Lonelodge



Born in El Reno and raised in Calumet, Okla., Riley Island, 17, helped his team bring home the gold ball for the Class B State Championship. Standing at 6'1, Riley plays point guard for the Calumet Chieftains basketball team. Calumet played against Roseboro High School in area, winning 91-80.

"It was big, it was a huge game, it was the game up to the point of the year and we won 91-80 and we all played well, we all scored the ball well. It was the best we played as a team and from that moment on I just knew that we had the confidence and capability to win it all, just from that moment forward I thought we had it the whole time," Riley said.

Advancing on to the State finals, Calumet won 63-54 against LeFlore High School for the State Championship Class B game where Island scored 40 points.

"The area championship was when I was really nervous to play, they were number three, we're number four in the same area so it was a big game against Roseboro High School. I had no doubt in my mind that we didn't have it but winning the State Championship, winning it was like the biggest accomplishment of my life, it's something I've worked hard for and dreamt about since sixth grade watching my aunt play and it's just one of my goals I've set to accomplish."

Riley also plays for the Cheyenne and Arapaho R.E.Sp.E.C.T basketball league.

When did you first begin playing and how?

I began in second grade, school ball don't start until third grade but my uncle put me on a team with R.E.Sp.E.C.T and he coaches that team and we started there in the summer and then in third grade I started school ball all the way up until now.

What is it about the sport that you love the best?

The competitive nature and the thrill for the win. I just love to play so I can say that I won or that we did it. It's just the competitive nature, it's something to do to keep me out of trouble.

What has been your biggest accomplishment in the sport so far?

Winning the State Championship, for next year I plan to go back.

What is your biggest accomplishment in the classroom so far?

Keeping and maintaining an average so I can continue to play on.

What is your GPA (if known)?

3.1

What goals have you set for yourself in sports, school?

To win another State Championship and hopefully get recruited by a college. For school, maintain A's and B's until I'm a senior and graduate.

What actions are you taking to reach these goals?

I do homework and sometimes I go to tutoring. I'm always doing homework or playing basketball. I'm always in the gym, always.

What has been the most exciting game you have played in?

I can't choose between the finals and semi-finals, it's one of the two games because we made it. In semi's we played Kinta 74-66 and Championship we played LeFlore 63-54.

What is the best advice you have ever been given and who gave you that advice?

Take nothing for granted, not everyone is blessed or has everything I do and to keep going, my mom always tells me that. She tells me to thank God.

Do you have a saying or motto that you live your life by?

Psalms 144, it's about playing basketball, well that's how I perceive it.

Who or what inspires you the most?

Russell Westbrook does just because he gives everyone hope, he's loyal and he just plays his hardest every time.

What does your routine workout consist of to stay fit for your sport? How often?

Running and shooting a lot. I shoot a ton on the gun and I go in the workout room and run on the treadmill to keep in shape so I can go for long distances. But this summer I'm going to start lifting weights. I workout everyday.

What are one or two things in your training, that you feel are keys to you being successful in your sport?

Running and shooting, so I can keep my shot form and so I can be more consistent. With running, I can go long distances so I can stay in the whole game instead of having to come off for breaks and it helps me, it's a big factor.

What is your favorite meal before or after a game?

Canes before or after, it doesn't matter.

Who has had the biggest impact on your life?

My mom and my uncle, they both do anything for me and I just can't thank them enough.

What are some of your hobbies (what do you like to do when not playing sports)?

I just like to stay at home and rest and go to church or have friends come over, I'm usually always in the gym. If I'm not in the gym I'm either doing homework or laying down or chilling with my brothers.

What kinds of music do you enjoy listening to?

I listen to all types but my favorite is either Hip-Hop or R&B.

What is one thing about you that no one else knows?

I like to dance and sing.

Were you ever bullied in school? What steps do you feel should be taken to protect those being bullied in schools today?

There were a few times when I was younger but nothing too big. I would say to either get help or tell their mom, dad, teacher or someone for help because that's not very good.

How do you combat drug & alcohol use by peer pressure?

I just tell them I don't do it.

If you could change one thing in the world, what would it be?

Segregation, so that everyone can be equal instead of everyone being opposite or no police brutality. I'd make everyone equal if I could.

What would be a dream come true for you in your life?

If I could give everything my mom gave me or provide for my mom when she gets older and to see my brothers succeed.

Who is your favorite athlete of all time?

Either Kobe Bryant or Russell Westbrook.

Which team is your favorite team?

Thunder

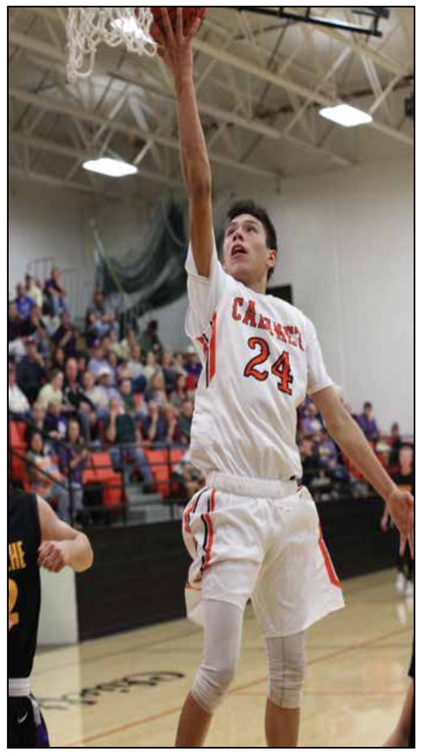
What are your immediate plans after graduating high school?

Going to college and hopefully get an education for basketball.

What would be your advice to younger kids coming up behind you?

To stay in the gym because it keeps you out of trouble and you can actually go somewhere with it if you're blessed, you just got to keep up the work. Just keep working.

Riley's parents are Rachel Island and Dallas Hicks Sr., his grandparents are Renae Rishel and Reggie Island. He has four siblings, Ryan Island, Bradley Island, Jadyn Hicks and Dallas Hicks Jr.



JOM-OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

The Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes Johnson OMalley Program Honor Club Program awarded first semester grades and attendance.

All students received a Wal-Mart gift card and received a t-shirt or hoodie.

We would like to congratulate all our tribal students for doing a job well done.

All As, Perfect Attendance & National Honor Society:
Lexi Mosqueda $150

All As:
Adalie Tahdooahnippah $50
Jacen Bear $50
Mayanna Narcomey $50
Anaias Ramos $50
Daniel Thompson $50
Calli Thompson $50
Evan RomanNose $50
Carter RomanNose $50
Morgan Coppage $50
Bryce Black $50
Zaina Williams $50
Antonio Baxcajay $50
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Sierra Sioux $50
Ryleigh Burns $50
Elizabeth Yellow Eagle $50
Andre Lime $50
Alanis Ramos $50
Kathleen Tall Bear $50

As and Bs w/ Perfect Attendance:
Madelyn Thompson $50

As and Bs:
Jayci Bear $25
Jayna Graham $25
Madilyn Reiner $25
Eryn RomanNose $25
Kayden Harjo $25
Kristina Harjo $25
Allena Sioux $25
Walk Up Tall Bear $25
Shane Yellow Eagle $25
Vincent Aispuro $25
Lillian Lime $25
Angelica Berrios $25
Pavenah Tall Bear $25
Bailey Petyon $25
Sage Peyton $25
Nakai Four Horns $25
Sariah Vargas $25
Soloman Vargas $25
Bindi Yellow Eagle $25
Alex Yellow Eagle $25
Desirae Hall $25
Daylon Hail $25

Perfect Attendance:
DAngelo Levario $25
Ryan Hulbutta $25

Clinton Community Clean Up
Earth Day Event
"Come talk trash with the Tribal EPA Program"
EARTH DAY
Come and join us:
Friday, April 21st, 2017
10pm- 3pm
Clinton Community Hall
2015 Dog Patch Rd.
Clinton, OK 73601
Help us in our efforts to make a visible difference in our tribal community, and on our Clinton campus! Trash bags, work gloves, and safety vests will be provided to willing participants.
RECYCLE
"The mission of the Tribal EPA Program is to protect and conserve all tribal natural resources, and the health of the tribal people. The program will strive to work hand-in-hand with tribal departments and programs, other federal agencies, local and state, to make a visible difference in communities throughout the tribal service area"
If you have any questions or would like to volunteer please contact the Tribal Environmental Program Office. Esther Mikki Rhoads (405-422-7431) or Marissa Bother (405-422-7418) can assist you.

Hammon Community Hall
801 Dunn St Hammon
WEDNESDAY
April 5,2017

10:00 - 2:00
10:00 -12:00 informational booths.
12:00 : Lunch
12:00: Presentation
1:00 –2:00 informational booths

C&A Land Management Office
Land Buy Back Program
405-422-7403
Fax: 405-422-8254

HAMMON OUTREACH

The Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes are pleased to announce that we have entered into a Cooperative Agreement with the Department of Interior's Land Buy-Back Program. Currently out of the 150 tribal nations, our tribal land base is listed in the top 25 at risk for fractionation. The Land Buy-Back Program will give the tribes an opportunity to purchase eligible fractionated interest within the current tribal land base. These purchases will transfer to the tribes directly into Trust status, aid in future economic and agriculture development and strengthen our Tribal sovereignty.
Land Buy Back Program
Office of Special Trustee
Oklahoma Indian Legal Services
Willing Sellers please contact:
Trust Beneficiary Call Center: 1-888-678-6836

Clinton Indian Health Center celebrates 10 years of service

By Latoya Lonelodge, Staff Reporter

On March 10, the Clinton Indian Health Center (CIHC) celebrated their 10th year anniversary. Many joined and came together to commemorate the celebration. The CIHC was originally known as the Clinton Indian Hospital, built in 1933. In 2007, the hospital became officially known as the Clinton Indian Health Center. Health officials, along with public invites, were enlightened on what it took for CIHC to become what it is known today.

"I think today is really an understanding and acknowledging where we used to be, where we came from in essence, to recognizing that we have this new facility, let us look back and see how much we have increased, how services are getting better, we're expanding those services and really looking at the health care needs of the tribal population," Nicolas Barton, Cheyenne and Arapaho Health Department executive director, said.

Through partnerships and collaborations, CIHC has become a well-developed health care facility, with hopes to expand its services. While the building itself has remained standing for years, Barton said that it is not about the building itself.

"The building is nice, its been 10 years, its been remodeled since then but it's so much more than that, it's the spirit of partnership and collaboration with IHS," Barton said.

The celebration also recognized changes CIHC went through. The new CIHC, since 2007, has expanded in services over the years, adding new equipment and bringing in new employment opportunities for qualified people. Some of the new additions to CIHC are radiology services, pain management and physical therapy.

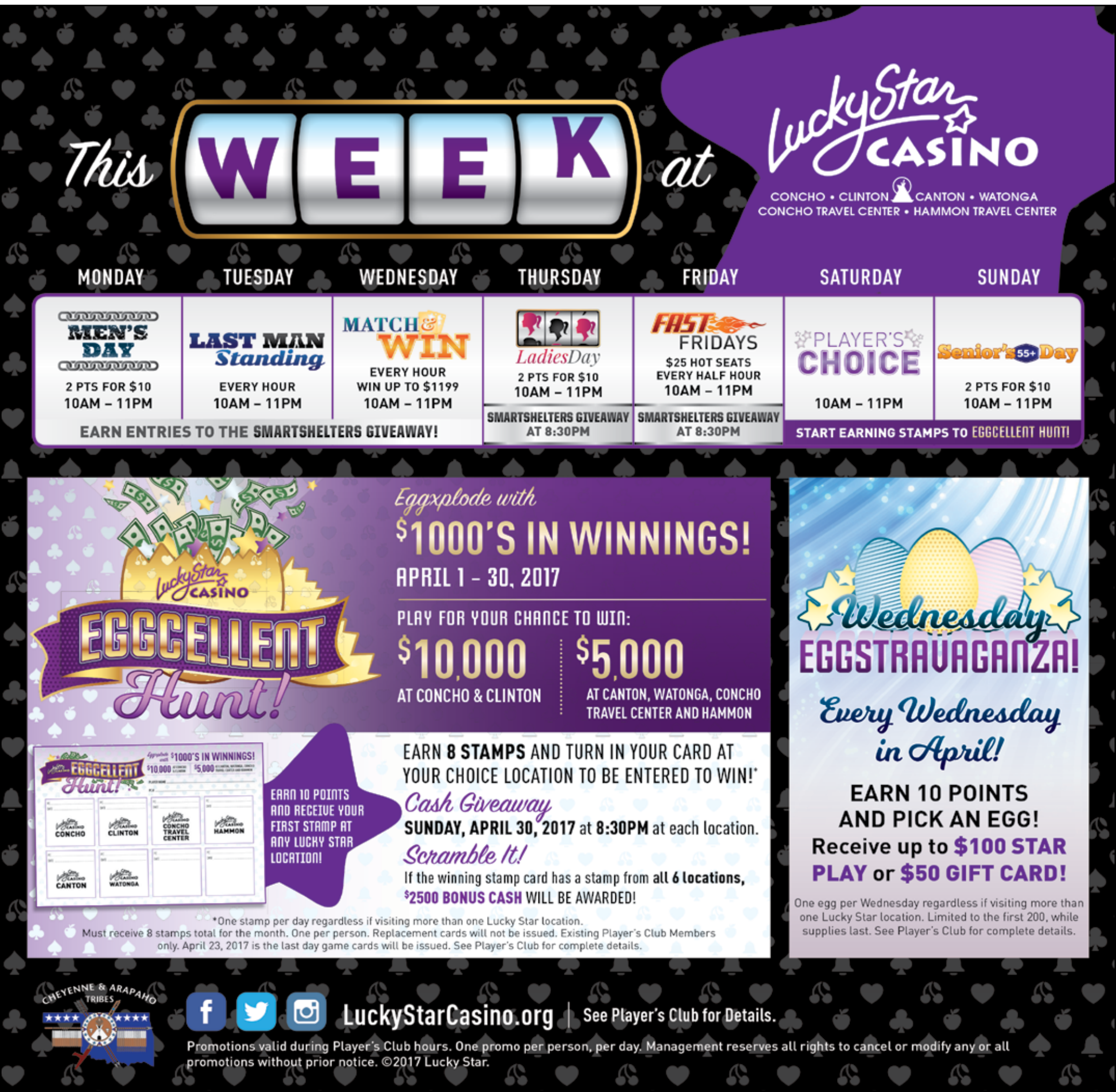
"Coming into this new clinic, there's room and potential for expansion and IHS has done that. Such as expanding radiology to include a CT scan, before we had to be referred out through the Purchase and Referred Care, or Contract Health as it used to be called. So now we're saving those service unit dollars on that referral by taking it in-house, another one is pain management and physical therapy. The service unit is able to save those referral dollars by hiring qualified staff, expanding the service department here and really investing and keeping our tribal members here local to have that rehabilitative care," Barton said.

While the services in CIHC are growing and expanding, CIHC acknowledged the importance of partnerships and collaborating with the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes.

"As the Clinton Service Unit values all of the collaborative relationships we've formed with our community and tribal partners. We are so blessed and thankful for the relationship we have with the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes, in particular the relationship we've fostered with the programs within the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribe's Department of Health," Kristie Purdy, CIHC Public Information Officer, said during the ceremony.

With hopes of expanding services in the future, the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes Health Department hope to further their partnership success with IHS.

"I want the tribes to be successful and continually engage with IHS as long as we have them as our provider of choice, to really work that partnership and work together to reduce health disparities, if we can overcome diabetes and other chronic diseases such as the disease of the heart or dialyses, kidney failure, if we continue to address those problems, we'll be a better nation and we'll have a better health system because of it," Barton said.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